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Democratic Activity.

Hope, according to the poet, springs pose of taking steps to rehabilitate and which dismissals actually invoke. reorganize the party and advance its interests. Each committeeman is the subject of an appeal to give the meetmay enter upon the campaign with re- Roosevelt in the near future. newed faith in the principles of the party | Said Mr. Moore, addressing some citiconditions now confronting the people of district recently: the great State of New York.'

Battered by defeat and almost disrupted by internal dissensions, the Democrats, nevertheless, come up smiling for another contest. Here in Washington they propose a gathering of national significance and interest on Jefferson's birthday. Once again they will listen to roseate prophecies and indulge in dreams of victory. They refuse to be downcast or disheartened.

This vitality of the Democratic party is a good thing for the country. It is a factor with which the Republicans must always reckon, especially as the growth of independence in thought and action adds to the number of voters who are guided by conditions and not by partisan ties. Besides this, Democratic activity prevents the formation of new parties, with all their attendant evils.

Democracy and defeat have been synonymous terms for many years. It is evident, however, that the party is girding up its loins for another struggle.

Offering a Park Below Cost.

When l'Enfant laid out the National Capital he provided for parks and reservations. Within the boundaries of his plan, regard. Even his imagination and foretime when Washington would spread far beyond the limits which he prescribed. Failing to look forward to this growth, he naturally did not provide for the extension of the park system, and as a result, those sections of the District which have developed in the last quarter of a century are lacking in open spaces. This serious omission has been fully recognized everywhere except in Con-

Among the sections which ought to be provided with parks are Georgetown and a plot of ground adorned with splendid night roosters will be on hand, of course. woak trees which ought to be acquired. In Mount Pleasant the need for a park section are offering to the government a triangle of land for less money than it cost them in order that at least one breathing space may be reserved for all time. They bought it to prevent its use for business purposes, and they could their personal gain. It would seem as if the opportunity which they offer to the government is one that ought not to be ignored. The Commissioners should bring They are in cold storage now! the matter forcibly to the attention of Congress and secure favorable action at the earliest possible moment

wherein parks should be provided. A you know. splendid grove of trees at the corner of aside. Some of these days the law- about the other problem. makers will realize that procrastination has proven costly. There never will be a period in the history of the National Capital when land for public parks can be purchased for less money than at present. Every day's delay in the acquisition of reservations adds to the bur- right to make cider," says the Charlesden which the taxpayer of the future ton News and Courier. And to make it must bear.

Standard of Cadets and Midshipmen.

About the only army personnel legislament at this session of Congress is that ties. which would increase the corps of cadets at the Military Academy. This is in the line of the policy that there should be a greater proportion of army officers comthe facilities for training and educating whiskers. young men for duty as commissioned officers of the military establishment. The bill has been favorably reported is regarded with favor, it is understood, in the House. One of the features calculated to gain Congressional approval of the measure is the fact that it adds to the appointments to the credit of Repre- take off his rubbers, however, it appears sentatives and Senators. At the same that he wears hob-nailed boots. time it has been disclosed in hearings before the House Military Committee that not all Representatives and Senators designate cadets to vacancies which they are called upon to fill. Added to that Brooms and soap both are going up in neglect is the fact that many of those price, Cleanliness being next to godli- now he thinks his luck has turned."

of the "alternates" do not present themselves, on the theory that the principals result has been that, after the entrance a joke. examination in January, there were no might very well be applied to filling Chautauqua attraction. these vacancies, it is, at the same time, considered desirable to add to the numweek in the hope that most of the exist- surely! ing vacancies will be filled.

The fact that so many vacancies exist West Point and the circumstance of days. No attention will be paid to anonymous the enforced resignation of midshipmen contributions, and no communications to at the Naval Academy for deficiency in Producing a black rose naturally is a the editor will be printed except over the the recent semi-annual examinations more commendable undertaking than Manuscripts offered for publication will have aroused the apprehension in Con- painting a lily, artificially, anyway. be returned if unavailable, but stamps gress, it is said, that these examinations should be sent with the manuscript for are too severe. The suggestion that mewspaper, whether for the daily or the demic policy in this particular must be round Sunday issue, should be addressed to intolerable to the authorities at West leries. Point and Annapolis, who ought to be intrusted with the responsibility of decadets and midshipmen. The Congres- with him. sional intercession in behalf of these students would be more harmful than almost anything Congress could undertake on the mistaken notion of defending renewed pernicious activity. eternal in the human breast. The poetic the cadets and midshipmen from the exassertion applies with especial fitness actions of examination. The standard to to the Democratic party. The committee which these students attain must necesof that political organization in New York sarily be left to the academic authorities, State is to meet this week for the pur- regardless of the appeal to sympathy

Speaker Roosevelt?

Mr. J. Hampton Moore has his ideas, ing thoughtful consideration in order more or less pronounced, perhaps, touch- guess coming. that "Democrats throughout the State ing the prespect of a Speaker Theodore

and with new courage to meet political zens of the First New York Congressional

"I have heard a rumor that when your most distinguished citizen comes back from Africa, my good friend, Congressman Cocks, your representati Washington, will voluntarily resign in order that one people's branch of the National Legislature. I hope unreservedly you will not allow this to come to pass. Congres wants to do business and it wants to keep Cocks just where he is."

Why, however, should we not have Mr. Cocks in Congress-a thoroughly commendable idea, so far as we can seebe a member of the House. It merely will make, a right. prescribes that the House shall elect a Speaker. It may go to Kalamazoo, Kankakee, or Oyster Bay for its presiding officer, so far as the exact language of the Constitution is concerned. Moreover, we strenuously suspect that no one would be disposed to argue the case, once Mr, Roosevelt had been sworn in, anyway. As for Washington-well, we believe Washington would welcome a Speaker Roosevelt with arms wide open and hearts attuned to gladness and exceeding joy! Whatever one may think of Mr. the city is admirably equipped in this Roosevelt—and those who think ill of him are in the minority-he is a powerfully

> it was as sure as it could be that T. R. stood willing always to start something! Regardless of the terror that a prospective Speaker Roosevelt may strike to the hearts of some people, Washington probably will all but unanimously resolve to push the suggestion along on the the-

to see things happen. If, in the past,

there was nothing in particular going on,

When Rostand's "Chantecler" is pro Mount Pleasant. In Georgetown there is duced in this country, all the old first-

ory that it is a mighty good thing!

Mr. William Waldorf Astor is not yet is so apparent that the citizens of that in the House of Lords, which would seem a sort of reason for not abolishing it just at this time, anyway.

> And the jungles shall not look upon his like again!

The suggestion that Mississippi refrain sell it to-day at a profit if they did not as long as possible from tacking that regard the city's benefit as paramount to "ex" onto Senator Gordon's official title is rapidly swelling into an all but unanimous demand.

Where are the eggs of the yesteryears?

Mr. Heyburn has been talking a good deal in the Senate of late, but not about Incidentally, there are other localities the civil war; that is, not since-well,

The Treasury Department is somewhat Fourteenth street and Columbia road puzzled to know whether a hen is a bird, ought to be saved to the city, and in every A department that once decided frog legs part of the District spaces should be set to be poultry ought not to be at sea

> The present Republican tariff has been abused in a thousand ways, and still nobody has yet characterized it as low

"The farmers of Virginia 'demand the hard, moreover, presumably!

"An Indiana man has been put in jail for having four or five wives," notes the watchful Bristol Herald-Courier. He in behalf of destiny. tion which stands any chance of enact- probably gave himself up to the authori-

Now that the stork is about to visit the royal palace in Madrid for the thirdor is it the fourth?-time perhaps her majesty will reconsider her determination ing from the institution which possesses never to consent to Alfonso's wearing

Looking back over the years, "Uncle Joe" will have to confess that his lot from the Senate Military Committee, and on earth might have been worse. Even during the late unpleasantness, there appears to have been no 5-cent clgar named did formerly? in his honor.

When the Hon, "Gum Shoe" Stone does

It will be rather trying on Africa's nerves, of course, to resume being merely the Dark Continent.

who are nominated as "principals" fail ness, we expect to hear eventually that at the entrance examination, while most salvation has managed to get off the free list.

are likely to pass the examination. The will you have your egg, sir?" is no longer The country waiter who asks, "How

less than 150 vacancies, a quite unprece- And even if Dr. Cook should come out dented number. While it would appear in the open and begin a lecturing tour, that the duty of the military authorities do not wager your good money that he

The high cost of living will play hide ber of cadetships. A special examina- and seek with that august Senatorial tion of candidates is to be held this committee, mayhap, but at its peril,

A New Jersey man has been sent to by reason of the failure of candidates the penitentiary for stealing a ham. This to pass the entrance examination at clusively to the plutocratic class nowa-

Abdul Hamid's life must be a dreary there shall be interference with academic policy in this particular must be round of applause even from the gal-

That Virginian who thinks the govtermining the character and scope of ernor's staff should consist of 200 colonels entrance and other examinations calcu- probably would have some difficulty getlated to demonstrate individual fitness of ting more than 199 male persons to agree

> The "Mad Mullah" is on a rampage again. We greatly fear this may arouse the terrible "Maud Muller" parodist to

"Either you aren't able to own the roof over your head or it leaks," observes the New York Press. Or there isn't any roof. If one must be a pessimist, he should play out the string!

John L. Sullivan, who recently insisted that his fighting days are over has married again. Perhaps John L. has another

The fishing fever microbe has been seen stalking abroad in the neighborhood of the Detroit Free Press sanctum, And they do say it is a "pow'ful catching" germ, moreover!

If good wishes and respectful sympathy will avail Senator Tillman anything in of our greatest Presidents may preside over the his distressing illness, he has ours most

Senator "Jeff" Davis will be readily ex-Not, we take it, that Mr. Moore loves the floor of the Senate, however, because Caesar less, but that he loves Mr. Cocks they tend to the discrediting of no one other than himself.

The fact that Mr. Peary made some mistakes when he first came out of the frozen north is a poor excuse upon which and a Speaker Roosevelt also? The Con- to hang Congressional refusal to do him stitution of the United States does not exact-even overgenerous-justice now. say specifically that the Speaker shall Two wrongs never have made, and never

CHAT OF THE FORUM.

We May Never Know, From the Atlanta Constitution.

How would Uncie Joe Cannon look in private life?

Secretary MacVeagh's Idea,

After the Round-up. From the Kansas City Journal.

La Follette and Bristow are about the only unamed and untamable insurgents left in the corral.

From the Louisville Courier-Journal. In Zelava's forthcoming book, Philander C. Knox

Pie in the Senate.

From the Baltimore Star, The price of pie in the Senate restaurant, accordyears ago. How about in the Senate itself?

It Seems Scarcely Possible,

From the Kansas City Star. It might be added that all of the progressive legisenacted during the last seven years has been forced through Congress over Mr. Cannon's protest.

First-class Space Fillers.

From the St. Louis Times. Utah's representatives at Washington are asking that a strip of Arizona be added to their Statewhich may be set down as a first-class way of injecting useless words into the Congressional Record.

If He Isn't, Who Is?

From the Dallas News. Speaker Cannon rose in his place Monday long enough to say that the majority must and shall rule, The dictum sounds fair enough, but the trouble with it is that the Speaker seems to think he is the

majority. Only a Matter of Time.

From the Christian Science Monitor. Let Commander Peary be of good cheer and re member that "all things come to him who will but wait." The American Geographic Society has just given a gold medal to Col. Charles Challie-Long for his work in ascertaining the source of the Nile

thirty-six years ago.

Our ex-President's Way. From the Louisville Courier-Journal. Lest we forget, a quiet, unostentatious, self-effacing, publicity-shunning, shrinkingly modest, unnown, unphotographed, unsmilling, noise-hating, reticent, secretive lion hunter contemplates approaching these shores clandestinely and surreptitiously slipping unnoticed through the crowd at the pier, to seek the solace of solitude and indulge in pious, pa-

Illusions.

triotic meditation.

It is true we labor under many illusions, but if these were to be done away put in jeopardy. with, we should hardly deem it worth our while to labor at all.

Almost none of the things which man so ardently pursues in the belief that they will make him happier is really capable of doing so, and yet it is needful that he keep up the pursuit for the sake of what he incidentally achieves

The illusions we labor under partake, in fine, of the nature of sanitary conditions, though they chiefly affect the health of the spirit, and by that have no municipal functionary appointed to look vigilantly after them. Nor, in fact, do they need any such, since Providence has been so kind as to see to it that illusions we shall always have.

An Explanation. From London Spare Moments.

Mr. Bach-What is the reason you ich for my cuffs as you Laundress-Because you have begun making pencil notes on them. "What difference does that make?"

"The girls waste so much time in trying

to make them out!"

Happy. From the Detroit Free Press. "He seems to be cheerful."

"He is. He found a dollar in an old suit of clothes yesterday morning, and

A LITTLE NONSENSE.

PERENNIAL.

A-Round This time in Print we see a lot About that cherry tree. Beloved of yore By famous Men. It Īs Day Green as then.

Often Happens, "I guess I made a mistake. I wouldn't paint a doorstep for the old tenant."
"Well?"

"And now I've got to paint the entire house for the new tenant.'

The Proper Way. Mankind should praise an honest youth, ommend him when he tells the truth, survey the damage with a smile-that is the good Fourth Reader style.

High Hopes.

"I see that two lady explorers claim the record for mountain climbing." "Well, maybe now we can get a fuss worth watching."

The Poor Poet. But the poet sings Of vernal things; The poet is no wizard. He hopes to bring The gentle spring But only brings a blizzard.

No Excitement, "Washington never told a lie." "And he never called anybody a liar that I know of. Then was dull times."

Just the Contrary. "Didn't I tell you to make the most of yourself, young lady?" "You did, professor, you did."

"And here I find you squeezed into one of these tube gowns." His Reason.

"He says that Washington's Birthday is his favorite holiday." "Patriotic, is he?" "No; just stingy. The day calls for no valentines, turkey, or presents. He

ing the Declaration of Independence." Marse Henry at Seventy,

From the Baltimore Sun. A man, according to Dr. Oslar, is as patch in regard to a collie dog named old as his arteries-no less and no more. Sammy, the property of one Ludwig cused for a good many things he says on If that be true, we must rank Col. Henry Carlson, that is a self-educated tenor Watterson, of the Louisville Courier-Journal, among the liveliest of American youngsters, despite the fact that he cel- bell in St. John's Episcopal Church beebrated his seventieth birthday on Wednesday, for his arteries are still filled hard-by and proceeds with a tuneful with good red blood and the vigor of accompaniment. He blends a musicianly youth is yet apparent in his pulse beat. voice with the deep notes of the bell and There is a hearty vivacity about the is always in exact tune with the me colonel which mere years cannot dampen. tallic sounds which issue from the belfry. He is always a bit younger than the average man-a bit more alert, a bit lumber plant in the neighborhood, where

solemn platitude and ancient idol. But though he is thus for progress always, no doubt he looks backward, now cility the town curfew bell at 9 o'clock and then, as well as forward, and when he does so it must give him no little the dog's performances say that in the From the Jackson (Miss.) News.

Secretary MacVeagh wants baths put in for officials

States—an earnest believer in the Demodog-like devotion he has rounded into an measures, a courageous leader of public opinion. Right or wrong, he has invari- Nicknames of States. valiant and none too numerous clan.

> spect. A Washington's Birthday Party.

From Puck At a Washington's Birthday party the guests should be arranged two by two to represent the 22d. There should be a North Carolina, Tarheel State; Ohio.

the bows of the guests and the lips of Palmetto State; Tennessee, Volunteer the ladies. A dog might furnish the hark and also delight the guests when

he leaves. Hens should be in evidence because, like Washington, they do not lie, and because they furnish the hatchet idea. To carry out the hatchet idea at the table, serve chops garnished with Saratoga chips. The conversation should flag frequently.

A State of Things.

Naturally, as time went on, and more and more men had their noses to the grindstone, the price of grindstones went up and was at length intolerable.

Of course, there were not lacking false prophets whose chief concern it was to set class against class, and who quickly took advantage of so fair an opportunity. "How long will you endure this wicked forestalling of the necessities of life?" cried some of these, while others, bolder, openly accused the grasping and merciless grindstone trust.

And the worst of it was the stupidity of the government, which condemned various cheap substitutes for grindstones. on the ground that the public health was

HOURS OF YOUTH.

The years of youth are far away? The years of youth are here! To-da Is one of youth's best days, the sun Is shining warm, and children run And helter-skelter in the street. And everywhere their flying feet Make the heart glad, and everywhe Their laughing voices, tousled hair, And funny quips arouse our mirth; Youth is still here, it owns the earth!

You may feel old-no doubt you do. But, don't you know, you're only you! You may have felt the scarring tooth Of time, and may have lost your youth Somewhere off yonder, 'way back there, But there is youth left everywhere! The bayous sparkle in the sun, The shining ripples laugh and run, And everywhere the birds sing clear The years of youth are glad and here!

Somewhere beside a garden gate th and maiden stand and wai The while the sun sinks down, and down, And points of light in the far town Come out and twinkle in the night, And she looks up with eyes alight Like stars and softly through the mist You hear a smack-and she's been kissed

As long as this old earth shall whirl me youth shall woo the only girl: Before some cottage by the way Glad little folks shall run and play, And every day, and everywhere, Some little boy with tousled hair Shall run to meet his homing dad, And some one always shall be glad!

PEOPLE AND THINGS

The smallest and oldest republic in the world is now passing through a difficult phase of its long history, a history which ited with receiving a fee of \$750,000 for heroes are made," said C. F. Z. Carastretches back for more than fifteen centuries. Up to March 25, 1906, the council joining a couple of mining companies. ico, at the Shoreham last night. of sixty men who were elected for life Our neighbor, the Springfield Republican, here ranch business started in North to manage the affairs of the miniature considers that he was overpaid. It does Dakota many years ago, and the people republic of San Marino-only thirty-two not think it possible that he could have who ran it then are now located in miles square-was made up of nobles, earned so much in the time mentioned, Wyoming, and are still engaged in the bourgeois, and country folk in equal though it admits that those who employed same business. The first graduate of numbers, and class distinctions were him may consider that he earned what the hero ranch," said Mr. Caracristi, who maintained in the election of the two they paid him. Presidents, one of whom was ever a As to this particular case, we know expert on Central and South American noble and the other a commoner. But nothing, but it should always be remem- natural resources, "is a gentleman whom on this date a change took place, due bered nowadays that lawyers in great everybody in this country and other to the fact that the government ceased cases should be paid not only for their countries knows by name. to correspond with the democratic ideas time, skill, effort, and reputation, and the of the youthful Sammarines, who had value of their services to their clients, through his exercise. He is first taught learned from travel in other countries but for the risk of damage to themselves to ride a bronco that is especially trained sufficient to cause them to agitate for from the employment. When one hears for the tenderfoot. He will buck easy or reform. The aristocratic party prudently it said, "No! Finesse can never be presi- buck hard, just as he is told. The tenderyielded, and it was decided by an over- dent now. He was Grab's lawyer and foot is put through all the experiences on whelming vote that thenceforth the coun- adviser in the Gold Brick Holding Cor- horseback that leads his mind up to the As illiterates were allowed to vote—the for his services in that case? making up of about 80 per cent of the A lawyer, nowadays, is held responsible himself, if he lacks that quality before total population of 11,002-San Marino now for his practice. If he takes service to he starts in. The moment this is done n September and March, two new capitani

Napoleon's Flag.

A curious relic of Napoleon has recently Paris by Lord Archibald Campbell, in the ing disreputable, it is irreparably damag- the boys at the club, are pathetically heflag which the former flew in the Isle of ing to the doer of it. Elba during his captivity there. The standard, which seems to have been inwas in part suggested by that of Cosmo del Medici, a former sovereign of the island. It is square, white, and fringed with gold, and bears three gold bees and a diagonal scarlet stripe. The staff carries a white and scarlet scarf. Napoleo does not seem to have used this flag else where than in Elba, where he was a dethroned and captive monarch. In France although bees were always his emblen can get through it very nicely by readand were embodied on his state robes his standard was the tricolor.

A Dog Soleist. From Montclair, N. J., comes a dissoloist probably without equal in dog musical circles. Every morning when the gins ringing Sammy takes up a position At noon the collie makes tracks for a more brave, a bit more impatient, with he accompanies in perfect harmony the whistle that sounds the midday hour.

Sammy also accompanies with equal fa-

in the evening. Those who have studied

accomplished vocalist.

ably fought gallantly and honestly. He The nicknames of States are: Alabama, is no office-seeker and has never been Land of Flowers; Arkansas, Bear State; one. He is to-day the archtype of the California, Golden State; Colorado, Cenindependent editor-the chief of that tennial State; Connecticut, Nutmeg State: Delaware, Blue Hen State: Flor-A good way to judge a man is to seek ida, Peninsular State; Georgia, Cracker Col. Watterson is proved to be of noble Hoosier State; Iowa, Hawkeye State; stuff. There is no editor in the country Kansas, Sunflower State; Kentucky, Blue to-day with greater influence among other Grass State; Louisiana, Pelican State; editors; none whom the whole fraternity Maine, Pine Tree State; Maryland, Old ing to one Senator, is the same as it was twenty regards with greater affection and re-Michigan, Wolverine State; Minnesota, Gopher State; Mississippi, Bayou State; Missouri, Bullion State; Montana, Singed Cat State: Nevada, Silver State: New Hampshire, Granite State; New Jersey, booming of business on the part of the Buckeye State; Oregon, Webfoot State; gentlemen, and the ladies should bang Pennsylvania, Keystone State; Rhode Island, Little Rhody; South Carolina, bark, and also delight the guests when tain State; Virginia, Old Dominion; West Virginia, Panhandle State; Wisconsin,

Badger State.

Looking for a Clew. From the Chicago News.

ington.

sachusetts.

"Hey, there!" yelled the motorman to a pedestrian. "Get off the track!" But he yelled in vain. The pedestrian was a detective and heeded not the yell.

CONCERNING LAWYER'S FEES.

Frequently Paid for Risk of Damage to Themselves.

From Life,

il should be elected by direct manhood poration case," what impression is left on point where he really believes himself a uffrage, and that one-third of its mem- the mind as to the size of the fee that 'bronco buster.' By a next process of pers should retire every three years. Finesse should have exacted from Grab mental suggestion and actual experi-

possesses perhaps the most democratic enable rogues to commit rogueries with he is given a real bronco, and his cononstitution in the world. Twice a year, impunity, or to help land pirates rob the ceit generally makes him conquer the public lawfully, it goes into his record, beast. reggenti are elected, and twice a year and he can never get it out. There is a these are installed in office amid a dis- difference between defending an indicted sion of events. He is taught to rope a play of patriotism and good feeling that man charged with crime and advising the steer. That is usually hard work, and augurs well for the future of the little man beforehand so that he can commit dangerous, too, for a tenderfoot, but he the crime and escape the possibility of is well guarded against serious injury. indictment. The former service, when No tenderfoot on a hero ranch is so performed for a client able to pay, de- happy as when he ropes his first steer. A curious relic of Napoleon has recently been presented to the Army Museum in been presented to the Army Museum in lice a very much bigger one, because, be-

If a lawyer's fee looks enormous, and tensions, yet he begins to be a hero in the custodian of the museum has placed the you can't account for it on usual or rea- eyes of his friends. flag prominently in one of the rooms, sonable grounds, smell of it. If it doesn't "Next in order," continued Mr. Carawhere it is to be seen, a rather strange smell right, that explains. As smells the cristi, "he is taught to shoot, and a few fee so will smell to the last of his days months' constant practice makes him a vented by Napoleon, though some say it the lawyer who took it. Nothing but in- good shot. This adds to his self-confisort out.

third and fourth generations.

SENATE HAS NOTHING TO DO. Meanwhile the People of the Coun try Are Waiting and Watching.

from the Chicago Record-Herald. On Wednesday the Senate held a very brief session and adjourned early be- sion, but he excels. That is a part of the cause of lack of occupation. The Alaska game. If the owners of the hero ranch bill-one of the President's personal happen also to own a small settlement, measures which he had earnestly advocated-had been dropped at the instance a night's celebration over his success as of Senator Borah and others who hold a hunter. But that is a post-graduate that Alaska cannot safely be turned over course, rarely indulged in these days, but to a legislative commission, but should twenty years ago it was a part of the have instead a sort of Territorial leg- regular course. islature. The postal savings bank bill took its place on the calendar, but some James D. Bell, of Vera Cruz, Mexico, who hitch prevented the Senate's going on with it, and no other measure was ready. The "uncontested bills" had been ex-The "uncontested bills" had been ex-hausted, and the rules of the august hamber, provide for "government by is engaged in the construction of the

manimous consent." We have referred to the slow pace of Congress at this session, and we read Istmo Railway, to San Andres Tuxtla. in the latest dispatches that the President has attempted to arouse and stir For more than forty years he has been one of the great editors of the United one of the great editors of the Dame. beginning his voice was sometime wrong and not infrequently cast in the wrong of support and co-operation Taft has review, but that with tireless practice and ceived? Where are the leaders and what are they doing?

The postal bank bill, it is notorious. other administration measures-conservation. Statehood, interstate commerce, regulation of procedure in injunction cases?

Can't the leaders give the poor Senate stands to figure as the villain who robbed the hero the opinion of his rivals. By that test State; Illinois, Sucker State; Indiana, bank bill of admittedly clouded prosdiscussions, of emergency calls from the White House to learn why things are that cereal have caused the poor people stagnant, are bound to create unpleas- of Mexico. ant impressions in the constituencies.

Yielding to the Majority.

From Lippincott's.

asylum. strolling through the grounds, and, stop- If President Taft had taken a leaf from ping, spoke to him. After a brief con- President Diaz's book and suspended the versation on conventional topics the phy- tariff on the importation of all foodsician said:

"Why are you here?" plied the patient. "I said all men were mad, and all men said I was mad-and the majority won!"

Elasticity of Truth. From the Boston Courier "De truth." said Brother Williams, "Is Away down deep in his heart he knew de mo' it comes back ter de place whar

that he had never been on the track. | it started frum."

Washington Monument Dedicated-February 21. the finest monument in the United ther was done until in 1876, when Con-States, and one of the finest in the gress undertook its completion.

The shaft of the Washington Monument | twenty-eight miles from the main line." world. It was finished in the year 1885, is 555 feet high, and the entire height of and was dedicated on February 21, Wash- the monument, including the foundation, ington's Birthday that year falling on is 592 feet. The stones of which the mon-Sunday. The ceremonies were most im- ument is constructed are great blocks of pressive, the government, the army and crystal marble from Maryland, of which navy, and representatives of foreign coun- there are more than 18,000. One hundred he paid for, she insists upon playing only tries, and men of distinction in civil life, and eighty-one "memorial stones" have, united to do honor to the great Wash- from first to last, been contributed for tired and asks for a little tune, he gets use in the monument. It cost about \$1,-The formal presentation of the monu- 500,000, which was raised partly by a whole feminine part of the community, ment was made at the base of the grand Congressional appropriation and partially obelisk, while the dedication ceremonies by private subscription. It is thirty feet him, and he does not want to be upproper took place in the hall of the higher than any other work of man ex-House of Representatives. Col. Casey, cept the lofty Eiffel Tower, erected in the engineer in charge of the work, turn- Paris for the great exposition of 1889. ed over the monument to the govern- Next in importance to the Washington ment, and President Arthur accepted it in Monument, among monuments in this behalf of the nation. The orators of the country, is that commemorating the batday were Hon. John W. Daniel, of Vir- tie of Bunker Hill, which was dedicated It is mother's idea entirely that he put ginia, and Hon. John D. Long, of Mas- on June 17, 1843. Of the other monuments erected to the great American, the one Notwithstanding the fact that the plan at Philadelphia, in Fairmount Park, by of a monument to Gen. Washington was the Society of the Cincinnati, is second approved by Congress in the latter part in importance. The first monument erectof December, 1799, nothing was done in ed in the country to Washington was the matter until 1833, when an associa- dedicated on Independence Day, in 1827, tion of prominent persons undertook the near Boonsboro, Md. There is a very raising of the needed funds by subscrip- imposing shaft to his memory in the cention, and on July 4, 1848, had so far ter of Mount Vernon Place, Baltimore, succeeded in their undertaking that the Md., and there are very few of the large

and during the succeeding eight years the "Father of the Country."

dith Read, the noted diplomat (1837).

February 21, is the birthday of Cardinal Newman (1801); of Ebenezer R. Hoar, Attorney General under Grant (1816); Robert W. Shufeldt, naval officer (1822): James Brander Matthews, the noted author (1852), and John Mere-

AT THE HOTELS.

"It is probably surprising to the general public to know that there are places in A lawyer of Manhattan was lately cred- this country where for a consideration services (extending over four years) in cristi, a civil engineer of Chihuahua, Mex-"The is a well-known civil engineer and an

"It is funny to see a hero student go ences, he is made to have confidence in

"Then comes the next step in the procesroic. They are models of serio-comic pre-

terment in the ground gets smells of that dence. In the meantime he is learning the crisp language of the plains. His Pecunia non olet is a much overrated letters change in tone and expression, and maxim. It does smell; yes, down to the his college English is forgotten femporarily for that of the cowman. The word cowboy is as obsolete as the cow-

boy himself. "In due course comes the first hunt, when he is made to distinguish himself as a mountain lion or bear hunter. True, the bear or lion may be of the cold storage variety, warmed over for the occahe is allowed to 'shoot-up the town' after

The government of Mexico, according to is at the Raleigh, is taking the bull by the horns at this time of high prices of chamber provide for "government by forty-four-mile branch line from Rives, on the main line of the Vera Cruz al

"It is really almost pathetic to see how the people of the United States are abup some of the Senators. It will be inpleasure to review the work of his life. For more than forty years he has been beginning his voice was somewhat harsh teresting to watch the effect of the productions. It will be interesting to watch the effect of the productions and it also beginning his voice was somewhat harsh teresting to watch the effect of the productions. most looks as if the various trusts and combines were daring Congress to do its worst. And all the time the price of meat is going up higher and higher. The United has struck a new snag, but what of the States is supposed to lead in the matter of protecting the people from the attacks of organized wealth. I think Mexico is away ahead of the United States in that respect. President Diaz, always bearing the interest of the Mexican people at something to do in addition to the postal heart, has suspended the imposition of duties on the importation of corn, which pects? The people of the country are is to be admitted free of duty until waiting and watching, and more reports March 31. This action was prompted by of early adjournments and time-killing the shortage of the corn crop and the hardships that the increase of prices on

"To prevent a further increase of prices, a bill passed the Mexican Congress some time ago, and was approved by President Diaz, to exempt beans from A Philadelphia physician, in declaring payment of duty for the same period, and that insanity was frequently productive also authorizing the President to purof sound logic tempered by wit, told the chase and import corn and beans and story of a patient he once met in an offer them for sale to the people at not above the cost price, and, if he considers He came across this patient while it necessary, even at prices below cost. stuffs, the beef barons and others who control necessities of life in the United "Simply a difference of opinion," re- States would soon have been brought to terms.

"Mexico is busy and building up wonderfully. That country has most efficient and patriotic public officials, whose sole object is to make their country prosperous and happy and proud of her indelak a rubber band-de mo' you stretch it pendence and freedom. For instance, this new railroad of the Vera Cruz al Istmo line crosses the San Juan River at Cuatotolapam. From Rives to the river the road passes through a fine cattle-raising country, thence through a rich agricultural region celebrated for its excellent tobacco. San Andres Tuxtla is at the foothills of the San Martin Mountains. "There are a number of mineral springs in this vicinity, for which the natives claim great medicinal properties. Another The monument in the form of an obe- the shaft was carried to the height of sixteen-mile branch line is under construclisk, erected to the memory of George 156 feet. The work was suspended on ac-Washington at the National Capital, is count of the civil war, and nothing fur-Colorado, on the Papaloapam River. This branch is to be extended to another place,

Fathers Will Be Fathers,

A Kansas man complains that since his daughter has taken music lessons, which classical stuff. When he comes home nothing but musical gymnastics. The he thinks, is in a conspiracy to uplift lifted

It is just like father to make a complaint like that. Father never did take kindly to culture. He sits disconsolate in the drafty kitchen, while daughter's Browning circle meets in the front room. on an uncomfortable collar in the evening and hear a missionary lecture on Borneo. Father's taste for music stops short at "Suwanee River," and he knows almost nothing about the minor poets and the pre-Raphaelites. His art ideas are derived from the illustrated Sunday supplement: he will not sit in a Louis XVI chair, and he cares not a whit for the pottery of the ancient Chaldeans. Shirt sleeves and carpet slippers are his conception of correct evening dress for gen-

corner-stone of the monument was laid, cities but have a monument erected to There is little hope that anything pernament can ever be done for father, When the millennium comes, he will still be found reading the newspapers, smoking up the window curtains, impeding progress-and paying the rent.